



LITHUANIA

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IN SUPPORT OF THE LITHUANIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY



15

National Society
branches



160

National Society
local units



12,320

National Society
volunteers

PEOPLE REACHED

Emergency
Operations



5,000

Climate and
environment



5,000

Disasters
and crises



25,000

Health and
wellbeing



10,000

Migration and
displacement



10,000

Values, power
and inclusion



6,000

No information at time of publication. Figures reflect targeted reach in 2025 plan

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

in Swiss francs (CHF)

IFRC network			
Country	Funding Requirement		4.8M
IFRC Secretariat	Longer-term	Funding Requirement	2M
		Funding	282,000
		Expenditure	230,000
	Emergency Operations	Funding Requirement	1M
		Funding	171,000
		Expenditure	172,000
Participating National Societies	Funding Requirement		200,000
	Funding		Not reported
HNS other funding sources	Funding Requirement		1.6M
	Funding		Not reported

Appeal number **MAALT001**

*Information on data scope and limitations is available on the back page

Q1. OVERALL PERFORMANCE

Context

The ongoing consequences of the international armed conflict in Ukraine continues to shape Lithuania's humanitarian landscape. The country remains an important destination for people fleeing the international armed conflict, with Lithuanian Red Cross providing essential humanitarian aid and integration support to refugees and asylum seekers. This influx has placed continued pressure on social services and required close coordination between government institutions, municipalities and humanitarian partners.

The parliamentary elections took place in 2024, with discussions on national security, energy independence, and social welfare dominating the agenda. These had an indirect effect on the National Society's operations, requiring continuous engagement with new decision-makers and coordination structure. Political attention to civil protection and preparedness has also created new opportunities for collaboration under the national crisis management framework.

Disaster management and preparedness remain among its key strategic priorities. The organisation continues to strengthen its role as both a crisis response actor and a national expert in civil protection training. The National Society has been formally assigned the role of coordinating all NGOs involved in first aid provision and support for first aid responders during emergencies, as well as contributing to evacuation efforts.

In parallel, it continues to deliver a wide range of humanitarian and social support activities, including integration assistance for refugees and asylum seekers, FA and PFA trainings, support for lonely older people, and youth education in schools. Through these initiatives, the LRC remains a trusted partner to both government and communities, promoting resilience and solidarity across the country.

Key achievements

Climate and environment

The National Society strengthened climate awareness and resilience through targeted education for both young people and older adults. Youth peer-to-peer sessions focused on climate change and environmental sustainability, empowering young people to become climate advocates, while 1,180 older adults participated in 46 tailored sessions on heatwave preparedness and personal protection. Partnerships with local actors further supported community resilience during extreme heat events, while institutional capacity was reinforced through the appointment of a climate focal point and continued engagement with IFRC climate learning opportunities.

Disasters and crises

The National Society significantly strengthened preparedness and emergency response systems through expanded volunteer capacity, institutional partnerships, and public preparedness efforts. By the end of 2025, it had 288 emergency preparedness volunteers, signed 29 agreements with municipalities, conducted 43 searches for missing persons, and responded to multiple disasters. Preparedness systems were reinforced through contingency planning, specialized volunteer training, enhanced volunteer management pathways and digital platforms, as well as joint exercises with authorities and regional cooperation with Latvian and Estonian Red Cross National Societies under EU-funded initiatives. Public preparedness efforts reached more than 92,000 people, while Cash and Voucher Assistance (CVA) readiness improved through Level 2 trainings, online learning modules, finalized SOPs, and simulation exercises.

Health and wellbeing

The National Society expanded community health and psychosocial support services, strengthening both emergency preparedness and longer-term well-being. More than 6,000 people completed comprehensive first aid training, over 15,000 participated in life-saving skills sessions, and 877 individuals received Psychological First Aid training. Mental health and psychosocial support services reached 4,353 Ukrainian refugees and host community members through group and individual interventions, while staff and volunteer well-being systems were reinforced through supervision, consultations, and capacity strengthening supported by the EU4Health project. Training and capacity building were

further strengthened through online learning modules and systems to better track staff and volunteer learning needs and competencies.

Migration and displacement

Building on over a decade of experience, the National Society maintained a comprehensive migration response combining humanitarian assistance, integration support, and protection services for migrants and people fleeing Ukraine. Legal consultations reached 835 people, integration and employment support services benefited thousands, and community engagement activities promoted inclusion through language learning, cultural orientation, and information sessions. Cash and Voucher Assistance expanded through rent and school support for vulnerable refugee households, while Restoring Family Links services enabled tracing and family reunification across multiple countries.

Values, power and inclusion

The National Society strengthened inclusive and accountable programming through expanded Protection, Gender and Inclusion (PGI) and Community Engagement and Accountability (CEA) systems, supported by targeted partnerships and institutional investments. Awareness campaigns on sexual and gender-based violence, prevention sessions for older adults, and staff trainings strengthened protection and community engagement capacities, while improved data collection systems and digitalized sex-, age-, and disability-disaggregated data strengthened accountability and evidence-based programming. Broader resilience efforts reached over 14,000 young people and 2,700 seniors through education, protection, and well-being activities, alongside strengthened International Humanitarian Law capacity and compliance systems.

Q2. CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS

There were no significant changes in the overall implementation of the Unified plan during the reporting period. While several human resource transitions occurred, these only temporarily slowed certain processes and did not have major impact on the achievement of planned activities.

Constraints

The National Society's auxiliary role to the government, particularly in disaster response, still requires clearer definition and formal recognition within national coordination frameworks. Greater clarity on its responsibilities would help ensure more effective collaboration with government institutions and other humanitarian actors during emergencies.

In addition, staffing challenges persist in some areas. With the UIC Emergency Appeal to have concluded at the end of 2025 and reduction in UNHCR funding, there is a risk that the continuing of certain roles and programme activities could be affected.

Q3. MEASURING RESULTS OF THE IFRC NETWORK ACTION

ONGOING EMERGENCY RESPONSE

Emergency Appeal Name	Ukraine and Impacted countries appeal
Emergency Appeal number	MGR65002
Duration	35 months (July 2022 – December 2025)
Funding requirements	Total: CHF 800 M (IFRC); CHF 2.7 billion (Federation-wide) Lithuania: CHF 5.3 M (IFRC); CHF 14.6 M (Federation-wide)
Link to Emergency Appeal	Revised Emergency Appeal
Link to Operational Strategy	Revised Operational Strategy Lithuania Response Plan
Last Operations Update	Operational Update

Short description of the emergency operational strategy

The international armed conflict in Ukraine continued, inflicting a devastating toll on the lives of people. The protracted crisis has resulted in massive civilian casualties, severe harm on critical infrastructure and livelihoods, and widespread displacement from front-line communities, leading to an alarming escalation in humanitarian needs, inside and outside of Ukraine. Millions of people have crossed borders from Ukraine into neighboring countries and beyond. Most of these people have been displaced for years, and the gaps in meeting their needs are still increasing. Displaced people from Ukraine still require safety, assistance, and critical protection to lead dignified lives and restore their wellbeing and livelihoods.

First launched in February 2022, the IFRC Emergency Appeal was revised in May 2023, in support of the work of 18 National Societies including the Lithuanian Red Cross who are responding to the crisis. The revised emergency appeal presents a substantial increase in people targeted, funding requirement and geographical coverage, to support the National Societies in assisting people in Ukraine and other impacted countries affected by the crisis. It also represents a shift in response from an emergency phase to a protracted crisis scenario, while recognizing the need to remain agile and proactive in what continues to be a highly dynamic environment.

Health and care including water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH): Mental health and psychosocial support services (MHPSS) and consultations provided to Ukrainians residing in Lithuania. Additionally, the National Society is strengthening its first aid capacity by linking trainers to other programmes, providing blended learning through online platforms, and equipping programmes with necessary materials.

Shelter, housing and settlements, multi-purpose cash: Distributing essential household items to support newly arrived refugees. Providing multipurpose [cash and voucher assistance](#) and support for rental assistance to those affected by the conflict. The National Society is also building its capacity in cash and voucher assistance (CVA) through training sessions for staff and volunteers, developing a CVA SOP. Priority actions include providing assistance for refugees and migrants to access the labour market and achieve successful employment placements.

Protection, gender, and inclusion (PGI), community engagement and accountability (CEA), migration: Efforts underway to collect and analyse sex, age, and disability disaggregated data in needs assessments and other information gathering processes. Mainstreaming PGI and CEA across all programmes, such as in CVA programmes and relief efforts, is a priority. A community-accessible complaints and feedback mechanism is established, to handle sensitive complaints like sexual exploitation and abuse. Specialized protection programmes are being implemented, focusing on groups in vulnerable situations.

Humanitarian Service Points are operational across the country, ensuring safe provision of services to refugees. 8 child-friendly spaces were established, offering psychological and recreational activities to children. The National Society is also assisting displaced people with official procedures such as migration, temporary protection, and asylum, deploying qualified interpreters to registration and reception centers for effective communication.

The National society is also building their capacity for their staff and volunteers, with the introduction of safeguarding, PGI/CEA and workplace violence awareness trainings developed and accessible online.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES



Climate and environment

Progress by the National Society against objectives

The youth program in the National Society includes peer-to-peer learning session focused on climate change, empowering young people to understand its impacts and becoming active advocates for environmental sustainability. In parallel, 1,180 older adults participated in 46 tailored learning sessions on how to protect themselves during heatwaves, addressing a growing health concern linked to climate change. In partnership with a local pharmacy, participants received practical gifts such as sunscreen and hydration products to help their well-being during extreme heats.

IFRC network joint support

The Head of the Youth Programme assumed the role of climate focal point and received a dedicated briefing on the IFRC's climate agenda. The IFRC continues to support the National Society in this area by providing technical assistance, as well as tailored trainings and webinars aimed at strengthening awareness and building knowledge on climate-related issues.



Disasters and crises

For real-time information on IFRC emergencies, visit IFRC GO page [Lithuania](#).

Progress by the National Society against objectives

By the end of 2025, the Lithuanian Red Cross had strengthened its national emergency preparedness and response capacities through expanded volunteer networks, institutional cooperation, and public preparedness initiatives. The National Society had 288 emergency preparedness volunteers, signed 29 cooperation agreements with municipalities and 7 action plans, and carried out 43 searches for missing persons alongside responses to 6 additional disasters. To reinforce coordinated emergency response, it participated in 14 joint exercises with state institutions and organized 11 exercises for institutions itself. A three-year cooperation agreement with the Ministry of Health continued to support the National Society's first aid capacities, enabling it to assist the health sector and coordinate NGO first aid support during crises. Progress under the National Society's Preparedness for Effective Response (PER) plan included the development of contingency plans and SOPs, mapping spontaneous volunteer engagement during emergencies, and creating a contingency plan for a potential Astrav nuclear power plant disaster, supported by two staff exercises. Emergency preparedness volunteers also received specialized training in areas including first aid (FA), psychological first aid (PFA), evacuation centre management, radio communication, disability inclusion, and inter-agency coordination with the Fire and Rescue Department, Police, Emergency Medical Services, and municipalities.

Under the international "Baltic Civil Defense for Complex Emergencies" project, the Lithuanian Red Cross organized a Baltic Red Cross preparedness conference that convened Baltic National Societies, government representatives, and partner National Societies to strengthen regional cooperation and exchange good practices. At the end of 2025, a tabletop exercise involving representatives from the Ministries of Foreign Affairs, Defense, Health, and Social Security

and Labour, alongside the Fire and Rescue Department, tested procedures for requesting and receiving humanitarian assistance during crises and further strengthened interinstitutional readiness. Through the strategic project “Resilient Lithuania,” 92,491 people participated in preparedness-related trainings, including 53,822 people trained in civil protection in cooperation with the Fire and Rescue Department, emphasizing shelter awareness and 72-hour household preparedness. Additionally, 15,707 people participated in basic FA trainings, 877 in PFA trainings, and 14,047 schoolchildren attended life skills classes delivered by the National Society. Lithuanian Red Cross also strengthened its Cash and Voucher Assistance (CVA) preparedness by testing and refining its CVA SOP through simulation exercises, signing an agreement with Red Rose to facilitate CVA delivery during emergencies, and training branch-level CVA focal points. A mid-term CVA self-assessment further reviewed progress, clarified priorities, and updated the Plan of Action to guide continued CVA readiness.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC continues to facilitate closer cooperation between Baltic National Societies, looking to expand operational linkages also to neighboring Nordic countries. Disaster and crisis response capacity enhancement effort include mobilizing international expertise in key operational areas, follow-up on cyclical preparedness capacity development (PER) and supporting the development of a Baltic shared stock platform. It will also aid the National Society to respond effectively to the broad spectrum of evolving crises and disasters and ensure through humanitarian diplomacy efforts that the Red Cross auxiliary role in disaster risk management is well defined and recognized.

Since 2024, the **Canadian Red Cross** has provided sustained support to National Society in preparedness and CVA, including training and equipping emergency response volunteers, developing contingency plans, and structuring and testing CVA processes.

Since 2025, a Baltic consortium and IFRC started implementing a joint project funded by DG ECHO, including multi-stakeholder national and cross-country simulation exercises on humanitarian consequences of armed conflict and mass evacuation scenarios, joint trainings with public authorities and logistics and stock-sharing platform development.



The Lithuanian Red Cross delivered 200 generators and 4,000 sleeping bags to the Ukrainian Red Cross in Lviv for distribution to areas facing severe electricity shortages and limited heating access (Photo: Lithuanian Red Cross)



Health and wellbeing

Progress by the National Society against objectives

The Lithuanian Red Cross implemented a broad range of health-focused initiatives in 2025 to strengthen community resilience and support vulnerable populations. First aid and health promotion remained a priority, with 6,178 people completing comprehensive first aid training and 15,707 participating in basic life-saving skills sessions to improve emergency preparedness. In addition, 877 individuals received Psychological First Aid (PFA) training to strengthen community capacity to provide immediate emotional support during crises. Health promotion activities included hygiene awareness sessions reaching 1,287 participants and targeted awareness-raising on alcohol and drug-related risks, contributing to healthier lifestyle choices and improved public health practices.

To respond to protection and psychosocial needs among Ukrainian refugees and host communities, the Lithuanian Red Cross delivered targeted mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS), protection, and health promotion activities addressing distress linked to displacement, social isolation, and integration challenges. A combination of group and individual services for children and adults included Skills for Psychological Recovery sessions, women's support groups, parenting trainings, art therapy, and consultations delivered by Ukrainian psychologists for individuals with more complex needs. Overall, 4,353 people accessed MHPSS services, including 2,224 individual consultations and 2,129 participants in group activities. The National Society also prioritized staff and volunteer well-being through psychological consultations and supervision sessions. These efforts were further strengthened through the completion of the EU4Health project, coordinated by the IFRC, which enhanced MHPSS capacity through training, the establishment of commercial PFA services, and stronger internal well-being support systems.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC supported the Lithuanian Red Cross in advocating for its auxiliary role, helping to strengthen and secure its position within the national health sector. At the same time, the Psychosocial Centre (PS Centre) and the wider IFRC MHPSS community of practice provided technical guidance, trainings, and ongoing support for the implementation of mental health and psychosocial support activities, enhancing the quality and consistency of services delivered.



Migration and displacement

Progress by the National Society against objectives

The Lithuanian Red Cross continued to build on more than a decade of experience in asylum and migration support through its Integration, Migration and Asylum Programme, while maintaining scaled-up assistance for people fleeing Ukraine under the Ukraine and Impacted Countries Emergency Appeal. The National Society provided a holistic package of humanitarian, integration, and advocacy support, including legal aid, strategic litigation, policy dialogue, employment and integration case management, language clubs, cultural orientation, research, monitoring, and community engagement. Legal and humanitarian assistance remained central, with 835 people receiving legal consultations, including 200 Ukrainian refugees, alongside 50 legal interventions in complex cases. More than 50 monitoring visits were conducted to border points, detention, and accommodation centres to support migrants' rights, while 241 interviews with Ukrainian refugees helped assess needs, living conditions, and service perceptions. Integration support reached 2,411 people through social consultations, 506 through employment-related assistance, and 343 through case management, while 378 community engagement events involved 5,030 participants and 106 information sessions reached 4,338 people. Language and orientation support included 59 Lithuanian language clubs and cultural orientation courses attended by 1,287 participants, covering legal rights, healthcare, education, employment, Lithuanian history and traditions, and emergency preparedness.

Cash and Voucher Assistance was further expanded to address urgent needs, particularly for vulnerable Ukrainian refugees. In 2025, the Lithuanian Red Cross launched a rent assistance programme through the Emergency Appeal, supporting 470 households (1,074 individuals) with EUR 221,838 in an initial round and a further 60 highly vulnerable households (91 individuals) with EUR 63,162 through a targeted second round, while case managers worked to strengthen financial resilience and self-reliance. Through the SEM project, 330 households also received EUR 35,550 in school supply assistance at the start of the academic year. Restoring Family Links (RFL) services continued to support

separated families, with 178 consultations provided, 57 tracing requests initiated, and 8 complex family reunification cases coordinated across countries including Eritrea, Tajikistan, and Afghanistan, resulting in two successful family reunifications in Lithuania. Overall, the Lithuanian Red Cross maintained an evolving migration response that combined immediate humanitarian assistance with long-term integration support and strengthened protection mechanisms for vulnerable populations.

IFRC network joint support

With support from the IFRC Secretariat, National Societies of Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia have formed consortiums for multiple project proposal applications aimed at providing integration assistance to migrants – and have successfully secured a 1.5 year grant from the European Union (ESF+SI+) for innovative integration support to people from Ukraine.

IFRC supports the National Society with technical support, training opportunities, setting up experience sharing meetings with other National Societies.



Values, power and inclusion

Progress by the National Society against objectives

Since 2024, the Canadian Red Cross has provided technical and financial support to the Lithuanian Red Cross to strengthen Protection, Gender and Inclusion (PGI) and Community Engagement and Accountability (CEA), enabling key achievements in 2025. Building on organizational and needs assessments conducted in 2024, the National Society implemented a structured plan to strengthen inclusive and accountable programming. In partnership with Ribologija and the U.S. Embassy, the Lithuanian Red Cross continued a communication campaign on Sexual and Gender-Based Violence (SGBV) in migration contexts to sustain awareness, reduce stigma, and promote informed dialogue. Structured GBV prevention sessions for older adults, delivered with support from the Lithuanian Police, reached around 200 seniors and focused on preventing violence, exploitation, fraud, and improving personal safety awareness. CEA capacity was strengthened across branches through trainings for 23 staff members from three regions, while PGI minimum standards were integrated into disaster management volunteer trainings. Efforts to harmonize data collection also advanced through the rollout of digitalized sex-, age-, and disability-disaggregated data (SADDD) systems across programmes and branches.

Beyond PGI and CEA, the Lithuanian Red Cross continued investing in community resilience through youth, senior, and International Humanitarian Law (IHL) programming. Its peer-to-peer Youth Programme delivered 542 non-formal education activities reaching 14,407 children and young people, supported by a network of 112 schools. Assistance for older people remained a priority, with 2,707 seniors receiving support through clubs, home visits, civil protection training, psychoeducation, and awareness sessions delivered with the Lithuanian Police, complemented by seasonal campaigns promoting well-being and social inclusion. With support from the ICRC, the National Society also strengthened IHL capacity by recruiting an IHL Legal Advisor, delivering five trainings to military academies and training centres reaching 100 personnel, developing an online IHL course for staff and volunteers, and introducing a standard operating procedure for reporting misuse of the Red Cross emblem to reinforce accountability and compliance.

IFRC network joint support

The Canadian Red Cross has been a key partner in strengthening PGI and CEA within the Lithuanian Red Cross, providing both financial support—amounting to CAD 560,000—and continuous technical expertise, including consultations and feedback on programme implementation. At the end of 2025, a new partnership agreement was signed to enhance support for Ukrainian seniors, focusing on expanding Seniors' Clubs, increasing participation in targeted activities, and strengthening protection services and cash and voucher assistance for older people.

The IFRC keeps supporting the National Society with technical support, provided by a dedicated PGI and CEA Senior Officer, dedicated trainings, experience sharing from different Movement partners.

ENABLING LOCAL ACTORS



Strategic and operational coordination

IFRC membership coordination

IFRC membership coordination involves working with member National Societies to assess the humanitarian context, humanitarian situations, and needs; agreeing on common priorities; jointly developing common strategies to address issues such as obtaining greater humanitarian access, acceptance, and space; mobilizing funding and other resources; clarifying consistent public messaging; and monitoring progress. This also means ensuring that strategies and programmes in support of people in need, incorporate clarity of humanitarian action, links with development assistance, and efforts to reinforce National Societies in their respective countries, including through their [auxiliary role](#).

Lithuania Red Cross is part of several regional networks which contribute to the technical cooperation between European national societies. The National Society actively contribute or leads regional thematic groups sponsored by the IFRC, such as the Climate Change adaptation roadmap initiative and the Protection, Gender, and Inclusion regional working group.

The Canadian Red Cross remained a key partner in strengthening Protection, Gender and Inclusion (PGI), Community Engagement and Accountability (CEA), preparedness, and Cash and Voucher Assistance (CVA) within the Lithuanian Red Cross, providing CAD 560,000 in financial support alongside sustained technical expertise, consultations, and implementation guidance. Since 2024, support has contributed to training and equipping emergency response volunteers, developing contingency plans, and structuring and testing CVA systems, while strengthening PGI and CEA institutionalization. At the end of 2025, a new partnership agreement was signed to expand support for Ukrainian seniors through strengthened Seniors' Clubs, increased participation in targeted activities, enhanced protection services, and expanded CVA support for older people.

The German Red Cross is supporting the Lithuanian Red Cross in strengthening information management capacities, including identifying key areas for improvement and helping shape future priorities and activities in this area.

Movement coordination

The Lithuanian Red Cross Society engages in regular meetings with the IFRC, the ICRC, and participating National Societies, to align support and action between Movement partners. This is carried out in line with the [Strengthening Movement Coordination and Cooperation](#) (SMCC) principles, and the newly adopted [Seville Agreement 2.0](#).

The Lithuanian Red Cross has partnered with the ICRC on protection issues since 2019, including restoring family links and detention. The National Society's restoring family links officer, head of asylum and migration programmes, and monitoring officer are actively collaborating with the ICRC Paris regional delegation.

External coordination

Lithuania Red Cross Society is coordinating with several local partners and businesses for the launch of its humanitarian aid number 111 for people affected to provide services of:

- Items (clothing, hygiene kits, food, stationery, special tools, household goods)
- Counselling, mediation, accompaniment
- Psychological and psychosocial support
- Financial support

The Lithuanian Red Cross's access to the reception centres and border control points were granted in an official written agreement between the State Border Guard Service, UNHCR and the National Society. In collaboration with Caritas Lithuania and Food Bank Lithuania, the Lithuanian Red Cross Society has been addressing the humanitarian needs of

migrants at border crossing points, by distributing water, hygiene kits, footwear and clothing, and leisure equipment for children.



National Society development

Progress by the National Society against objectives

The National Society made significant progress in organizational development, strengthening both operational capacity and institutional systems to respond more effectively to evolving humanitarian needs. This included expanding and professionalizing its volunteer network, with over 2,600 volunteers and a structured reserve of 1,481 people ready for emergency activation, supported by continued investment in training, digital tools such as an enhanced volunteer management platform, and a trainer development system to ensure sustainable capacity building. Preparedness and response systems were further strengthened through national contingency planning, acquisition of essential emergency equipment, and increased participation in joint exercises with public authorities, reinforcing the National Society's role as a reliable auxiliary to the state. Strategic growth across first aid, civil protection, mental health, migration, and community resilience enabled the organization to reach over 119,000 people annually while strengthening integrated service delivery nationwide. Investments in staff and volunteer well-being, internal learning systems, international networking, and partnerships within the Movement and beyond further contributed to a more resilient, adaptive, and professional National Society capable of delivering quality humanitarian assistance at scale.

IFRC network joint support

IFRC Baltic programme office has supported Baltic National Societies in assessments, development activities and financial investment in areas of: HR systems, strategic planning, response capacities (Preparedness for Effective Response and response team development), safeguarding policies, PGI and CEA mainstreaming, CVA, volunteering, fundraising and overall NSD development.



Humanitarian diplomacy

Progress by the National Society against objectives

The Lithuanian Red Cross, with support from the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies Secretariat, strengthened engagement with national and local stakeholders through joint visits and meetings with government institutions, including civil protection authorities, ministries, municipalities, and the President's Office, reinforcing recognition of the National Society and its auxiliary role. At the international level, engagement was supported through meetings in Geneva between IFRC leadership, including the Secretary General, and ministry and permanent mission representatives, helping elevate priorities, align messaging, and strengthen the visibility of Baltic National Societies. Close coordination continued with key partners, particularly United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, which also provided financial support, alongside cooperation with the International Organization for Migration, other UN agencies, and national and international NGOs to ensure complementary and effective responses. A major milestone was the selection of the regional "Baltic Civil Defense Cooperation in Complex Emergencies" project for DG ECHO/UCPM funding, launching in 2025 to strengthen preparedness, cooperation with national authorities, and cross-border response capacities through initiatives including a Baltic preparedness conference and an international tabletop simulation exercise. In parallel, communication capacities were strengthened, including preparations for a major preparedness-focused media campaign in 2026 with National Radio and Television to increase public awareness and readiness.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC continues to support the Lithuanian Red Cross by promoting its work, strategic priorities, and added value both within the Movement and externally. This includes reinforcing the National Society's auxiliary role and highlighting the importance of the global IFRC network in strengthening national preparedness and response to future crises.

In addition, the IFRC supports the development and localisation of humanitarian diplomacy and communication tools, equipping leadership and staff with the resources needed to effectively engage stakeholders and communicate both in emergency and non-emergency contexts.



Accountability and agility (cross-cutting)

Progress by the National Society against objectives

The Lithuanian Red Cross continued to strengthen organizational systems and digital capacities by expanding and improving its use of Salesforce, supported through regular staff trainings to enhance system utilization. In parallel, AccessRC was further developed as a platform for communication with affected populations and registration during evacuations, while a Project Management Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) was introduced to promote more structured and consistent implementation across programmes. In 2025, with support from the German Red Cross, the National Society conducted an Information Management (IM) self-assessment workshop to identify strengths, gaps, and development priorities across systems, tools, and staff capacities. Building on these findings, and with continued support from the German Red Cross, a dedicated IM staff member was recruited in 2026 to strengthen organizational IM capacities and provide sustained support to staff.

IFRC network joint support

The **German Red Cross** is supporting Lithuanian Red Cross in Information management, including identifying key areas for improvement and helping to shape future priorities and activities in this field.

In parallel, the IFRC is supporting the National Society in further developing AccessRC and introducing additional digital tools to enhance data management, communication, and overall operational efficiency.

Q4. AFFECTED PERSONS (PEOPLE REACHED)

See cover pages

Q5. PARTICIPATION AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR AFFECTED PEOPLE – COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY

See Strategic Priority on 'Values, power and inclusion' under Q3: MEASURING RESULTS OF THE IFRC NETWORK ACTION

Q6. RISK MANAGEMENT

This information is not available in Annual Reports

Q7. EXIT STRATEGY AND SUSTAINABILITY

See Strategic Priorities or Enabling Local Actors, where relevant under Q3: MEASURING RESULTS OF THE IFRC NETWORK ACTION

Q8. LESSONS LEARNED

The National Society has drawn valuable lessons from the implementation of its unified plan, particularly in the areas of preparedness, CVA, PGI, CEA, and integration support. One key insight is the value of systematic assessment and monitoring: collecting disaggregated data of people supported, activities implemented, regularly evaluating organizational preparedness, program outcomes, and community needs. This helps to identify both strengths and areas for improvement, ensuring that interventions are better targeted and more effective. For these aims, LRC is developing Salesforce and training staff to be able to collect data, analyse it and evaluate the results.

Another important lesson is the benefit of institutionalizing key principles, such as PGI and CEA, through dedicated focal points, training, and developing policies. Ensuring staff and volunteers have access to guidance and capacity-building resources strengthens consistency, promotes accountability, and enhances program quality. LRC is continuing this road and is developing a volunteer management policy and plans to test their CVA SOP.

LRC has also learned that participatory approaches - involving beneficiaries, and staff in assessment and feedback mechanisms – are critical for designing inclusive programs that meet real needs. Embedding these approaches into organizational practice allows lessons to be captured and applied systemically across programs.

Flexibility and adaptability have emerged as another key lesson. Developing project proposals with more flexibility allows us to meet the needs at the given moment, which can change a lot during emergencies.

ANNEX 1. IFRC APPLICATION OF THE 8+3 REPORTING TEMPLATE

The IFRC network structures its result-based management along five Strategic priorities and four Enabling functions, developed based on the IFRC network's [Strategy 2030](#):

IFRC network Strategic Priorities	IFRC network Enabling Functions
SP 1 - Climate and environment	EF 1- Strategic and operational coordination
SP 2 - Disasters and crises	EF 2 - National Society development
SP 3 - Health and wellbeing	EF 3 - Humanitarian diplomacy
SP 4 - Migration and displacement	EF 4 - Accountability and agility
SP 5 - Values, power and inclusion	

The Federation-wide results matrix provides a standard way for the IFRC network to measure its progress towards Strategy 2030 implementation and supports consistent quality of the IFRC network planning, monitoring and reporting. To further advance coherence in monitoring across the IFRC network, a [Federation-wide Indicator Bank](#) has been developed and integrated into the Federation-wide monitoring systems for emergencies and longer-term work, structured along the Federation-wide results matrix as well. Signatory of the Grand Bargain Agreement, the IFRC has committed to its monitoring and reporting standards through integration of the 8+3 reporting template contents into its results-based management approach. The following mapping demonstrate the way in which this report aligns with 8+3 reporting:

8+3 template	IFRC network Annual Report (with variance in structure in red)
Core Questions	
1. Overall Performance	Overall Performance
2. Changes and Amendments	Changes and amendments
3. Measuring Results	Measuring Results
4. Affected Persons	Cover pages with indicators values
5. Participation & AAP	Under Q3 Strategic Priority 5: Values, power and inclusion – Community Engagement and Accountability
6. Risk management	Risk management
7. Exit Strategy and Sustainability	Under Q3 sub-sections by Strategic Priority/Enabling Function where relevant
8. Lessons Learned	Lessons learned
Additional Questions	
1. Value for Money/ Cost Effectiveness	Not included in annual reports
2. Visibility	Not included in annual reports
3. Coordination	Under Q3 Enabling Function 1: Strategic and operational coordination
4. Implementing Partners	Cross-cutting, with a focus on support to localization through the Q3 Enabling Functions 1 to 4
5. Activities or Steps Towards implementation	Cross-cutting in Q3 Strategic Priorities and Enabling Functions
6. Environment	Under Q3 Strategic Priority 1: Climate and environment



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is the world's largest humanitarian network, with 191 National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies and around 15 million volunteers. Our volunteers are present in communities before, during and after a crisis or disaster. We work in the most hard to reach and complex settings in the world, saving lives and promoting human dignity. We support communities to become stronger and more resilient places where people can live safe and healthy lives, and have opportunities to thrive.

DATA SCOPE AND LIMITATIONS

- **Timeframe and alignment:** The reporting timeframe for this overview is covering the period from 1 January to 31 December 2025. However, due to the diversity of the IFRC and differences in fiscal years, this coverage may not fully align for some National Societies.
- **Financial overview:** This overview consolidates data reported by the National Society and its IFRC network partners, as well as data extracted from IFRC's financial systems. All reported figures should include the administrative and operational costs of the different entities. The financial data with a grey background is solely reported by the National Society, including the funding sources. Financial reporting is often times estimated depending on availability of financial figures, closing of financial periods, and may be incomplete. 'Not reported' could sometimes mean 'not applicable'. Also note that funding requirements are already reflected in the published 2025 IFRC network country plan. The total funding requirements show what the IFRC network has sought to raise for the given year through different channels: funding through the IFRC, through participating National Societies as bilateral support, and through the host National Society from non-IFRC network sources. All figures should include the administrative and operational costs of the different entities.
 - » Host National Society funding requirements not coming from IFRC network sources can comprise a variety of sources, as demonstrated when reporting on income in the IFRC Federation-wide Databank and Reporting System
 - » Participating National Society funding requirements for bilateral support are those validated by respective headquarters, and often represent mainly secured funding
 - » IFRC funding requirements comprise both what is sourced from the IFRC core budget and what is sought through emergency and thematic funding. This includes participating National Societies' multilateral support through IFRC, and all other IFRC sources of funding
- **Missing data and breakdowns:** National Societies have diverse data collection systems and processes that may not align with the standardized indicators. Data may not be available for some indicators, for some National Societies. This may lead to inconsistencies across different reporting tools as well as potential under or over-estimation of the efforts led by all.
- **Reporting bias:** The data informing this Federation-wide overview is self-reported by each National Society (or its designated support entity) which is the owner and gatekeeper, and responsible for accuracy and updating. IFRC tries to triangulate the data provided by the National Societies with previous data and other data in the public domain.
- **Definitions:**
 - » **Local units:** ALL subdivisions of a National Society that coordinate and deliver services to people. These include ALL levels (provincial, state, city, district branches, sections or chapters, headquarters, and regional and intermediate offices, as well as community-based units)
 - » **Branches:** A Branch has its roles, responsibilities and relationship with the National Headquarters defined through the National Society's Statutes, including the level of autonomy given, especially in the area of its legal status, mobilising local resources and building local partnerships, and the decisions it makes. It has a local-level decision-making mechanism through its Branch members, board and volunteers, equally defined through the National Society's Statutes

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- (Note: For emergencies for which a financial report is not yet available, see [MGR65002](#))
- [IFRC network country plans](#)
- [Subscribe for updates](#)
- [Live Disaster Response Emergency Fund \(DREF\) data](#)
- Operational information: [IFRC GO platform](#)
- National Society data: [IFRC Federation-wide Databank and Reporting System](#)
- [Evaluations database](#)

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